Governor Dayton's Budget for St. Cloud

The Governor's budget proposal is fair, responsible and moves Minnesota forward. For St. Cloud he has proposed new investments in education from our earliest learners to new investments that will put the dream of higher education within the reach of every Minnesotan. The Governor's proposal also makes our state's tax system more fair for all Minnesotans by asking the richest among us to pay their fair share in taxes.

In Stearns County, that means asking only 750 taxpayers to pay a little bit more in income taxes. In exchange, the state will be able to afford important new investments in the St. Cloud community. By asking the 750 richest residents of Stearns County to pay a little more in taxes, we can provide an additional \$4,756,674 to St. Cloud schools. This new revenue also allows us to make college more affordable by providing \$1,649,400 in new grant money for St. Cloud college students.

In total, by asking the 750 richest residents of Stearns County to pay their fair share in taxes, we can invest **\$8,675,064** in St. Cloud's students, schools and property tax relief. This is a deal worth making.

Governor Dayton's Budget for St. Cloud – By the Numbers

750	Taxpayers in Stearns County who are among the richest 2% of Minnesotans –
	and will pay more in income taxes
\$507	New funding per student for St. Cloud Public Schools
5,498	St. Cloud area college students who receive State Grant Program funding
\$300	Increase in funding for each State Grant Program recipient
\$2,268,990	Increase in 2014 LGA for the City of St. Cloud
\$4,756,674	Total funding increase for St. Cloud Public Schools
\$8,675,064	Total new investment in St. Cloud